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of three per centum in excess of seven

with the assent of the electors thereof;

at a public election, to be held in such manner as shall be provided by law.

In ascertaining the borrowing capacity

of said city of Philadelphia, at any

time, there shall be excluded from the

calculation a credit, where the work

ture, for any one or more of the spe-

during the year immediately preceding

the time of such ascertainment. Such capitalization shall be accomplished

which would yield such annual, cur-rent net revenue, at the average rate

of interest, and sinking-fund charges

payable upon the indebtedness incur-

red by said city for such purposes,

up to the time of such ascertainment. The method of determining such

amount, so to be excluded or allowed

as a credit, may be prescribed by the

In incurring indebtedness, for any

construction, improvement, or recla-

mation, the city of Philadelphia may

issue its obligations maturing not

later than fifty years from the date

thereof, with provision for a sinking-

ligations may be in an amount suffi-

may accrue thereon throughout the

and said city shall not be required

sinking-fund charges, as required by

section ten of article nine of the

Number Three

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Constitution of Pennsylvania.

eighteenth article thereof:-

such acts now existing are avoided.

Number Four

A JOINT RESOLUTION

The office of Secretary of Internal purchase, or reclamation or lease of

Affairs be, and the same is hereby, land on the banks of the Delaware

abolished; and the powers and duties and Schuylkill rivers, and land adja-

Affairs.

read as follows:

reads as follows:

follows:

ROBERT McAFEE,

or more of said purposes of

General Assembly.

ascertaining the principal amount

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> Number One. A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section.

monwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:-That section one of article eight,

which reads as follows:

entitled to vote at all elections, subelectors as the General Assembly may

shall have removed therefrom and returned, then six months) immediately preceding the election.

"Third. He shall have resided in the election district where he shall offer to vote at least two months im-

within two years a State or county tax, which shall have been assessed at least two months and paid at least

Section 1. Every citizen, male or female, of twenty-one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections, subject, however, to such laws fund sufficient to retire said obligarequiring and regulating the registration at maturity, the payments to tion of electors as the General Assuch sinking fund to be in equal or

one month. Second. He or she shall have resided in the State one year (or, having previously been a qualified elector or native-born citizen of the State, he or she shall have removed therefrom, and returned, then six months) immediately preceding the election.

Third. He or she shall have resided in the election district where he

Fourth. If twenty-two years of age after the completion of such work and upwards, he or she shall have wald within two years a State or county tax, which shall have been assessed at least two months paid at least one month before the

Fifth. Wherever the words "he, "him," and "himself" occur in any section of article VIII of this Constitution the same shall be construed as if written, respectively, "he or she, "his or her." "him or her." and "him-

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1. ROBERT MCAFEE,

Number Two.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to section

of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:-

the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which reads as fol-

"Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the assent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law; but any city, the debt of which now exceeds seven per centum of such assessed valuation, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum, in the aggregate, at any one time, upon such valuation, except that any debts hereinafter incurred by the city and county of Philadelphia for the construction and development of subways for transit purposes, or for the construction of wharves and docks, or the reclamation of land to be used in the construction of a system of wharves and docks, as public improve ments, owned or to be owned by said city and county of Philadelphia, and which shall yield to the city and county of Philadelphia current net revenues in excess of the interest on said debt or debts, and of the annual installments necessary for the cancellation of said debt or debts, may be excluded in ascertaining the power of the city and county of Philadelphia to become otherwise indebted: vided. That a sinking-fund for their cancellation shall be established and maintained," so that it shall read as

Section 8. The debt of any county. city, borough, township, school district or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the consent of the electors thereof at a public now vested in, or appertaining or be-longing to, that branch of the execu-heads, and the purchase or construcelection in such manner as shall be

tive department, office, or officer, shall be transferred to such other departments, offices, or officers of the State, now or hereafter created, as may be directed by law.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 4. ROBERT McAFEE, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number Five.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of this Commonwealth in provisions of the eighteenth (XVIII) article thereof. Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same. That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth (XVIII) article thereof:-

AMENDMENT. Laws may be passed providing for system of registering, transferring Insuring of and guaranteeing land titles by the State, or by the counties thereof, and for settling and determining adverse or other claims to and interests in lands the titles to which resulting from any previous expendi- are so registered, transferred, insured, and guaranteed; and for the creation cific purposes hereinabove enumerated and collection of indemnity funds; shall be yielding to said city an an- and for carrying the system and powers hereby provided for into effect by such existing courts as may be designated by the Legislature, and by the establishment of such new courts as may be deemed necessary. In mat-ters arising in and under the operation of such system, judicial powers, with right of appeal, may be confer-red by the Legislature upon county recorders and upon other officers by it designated. Such laws may provide for continuing the registering, transferring, insuring, and guaranteeing such titles after the first or original registration has been perfected by the court, and provision may be made for raising the necessary funds for ex-penses and salaries of officers, which shad be paid out of the treasury of

the several counties. A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 5. ROBERT MCAFEE. Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number Six. A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to section

graded annual installments. Such obeight, article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania. Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives cient to provide for and may include the amount of the interest and sinking-fund charges accruing and which of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the period of construction and until the following is proposed as an amendexpiration of one year after the comment to the Constitution of the Completion of the work for which said indebtedness shall have been incurred; monwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eigh-

to levy a tax to pay said interest and Amendment to Article Nine, Section Eight. Section 2. Amend section eight, article nine of the Constitution of Penn-

teenth article thereof.

Constitution of Pennsylvania, until the expiration of said period of one year sylvania, which reads as follows:-"Section 8. The debt of any coun-A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 2. ty, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or in-Secretary of the Commonwealth. corporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor Proposing an amendment to section shall any such municipality or distwenty-one of article three of the trict incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceed-Section 1. Be it resolved by the ing two per centum upon such as-Senate and House of Representatives sessed valuation of property, without of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the assent of the electors thereof at in General Assembly met, That the a public election in such manner as following amendment to the Constitu- shall be provided by law; but any tion of the Commonwealth of Penn- city, the debt of which now exceeds seven per centum of such assessed sylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the valuation, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum, Amend section twenty-one, article in the aggregate, at any one time, three of the Constitution of the Com- upon such valuation, except that any monwealth of Pennsylvania, which debt or debts hereinafter incurred by ads as follows: the city and county of Philadelphia "No act of the General Assembly for the construction and development of subways for transit purposes, or shall limit the amount to be recovered for injuries resulting in death, or for for the construction of wharves and injuries to persons or property, and docks, or the reclamation of land to in case of death from such injuries, be used in the construction of a systhe right of action shall survive, and tem of wharves and docks, as public the General Assembly shall prescribe improvements, owned or to be owned for whose benefit such actions shall by said city and county of Philadelbe prosecuted. No act shall prescribe phia, and which shall yield to the any limitations of time within which city and county of Philadelphia cursuits may be brought against corpora- rent net revenue in excess of the intions for injuries to persons or prop-terest on said debt or debts, and of erty, or for other causes different the annual installments necessary for from those fixed by general laws reg- the cancellation of said debt or debts, ulating actions against natural per may be excluded in ascertaining the sons, and such acts now existing are power of the city and county of Philaavoided," so that it shall read as delphia to become otherwise indebted: Provided, That a sinking-fund for The General Assembly may enact their cancellation shall be established

laws requiring the payment by em- and maintained," so as to read as ployers, or employers and employees follows:-jointly, of reasonable compensation Section Section 8. The debt of any county, for injuries to employees arising in city, borough, township, school disthe course of their employment, and trict, or other municipality or incorfor occupational diseases of employees, porated district, except as herein pro-whether or not such injuries or dis-vided, shall never exceed seven per eases result in death, and regardless centum upon the assessed value of the of fault of employer or employee, and taxable property therein, nor shall any fixing the basis of ascertainment of such municipality or district incur such compensation and the maximum any new debt, or increase its indebtand minimum limits thereof, and pro-edness to an amount exceeding two viding special or general remedies for per centum upon such assessed valuathe collection thereof; but in no other tion of property, without the assent cases shall the General Assembly limit of the electors thereof at a public the amount to be recovered for in- election in such manner as shall be juries resulting in death, or for in provided by law; but any city, the juries to persons or property, and in debt of which now exceeds seven per case of death from such injuries, the centum of such assessed valuation, right of action shall survive, and the may be authorized by law to increase General Assembly shall prescribe for the same three per centum in the whose benefit such actions shall be aggregate, at any one time, upon such prosecuted. No act shall prescribe any valuation; except that any debt or limitations of time within which suits debts hereinafter incurred by the city may be brought against corporations and county of Philadelphia for the injuries to persons or property, construction and development of or for other causes, different from wharves and docks, or the reclama-those fixed by general laws regulating tion of land to be used in the conactions against natural persons, and struction of a system of wharves and docks, as public improvements, owned A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 3. or to be owned by said city and county of Philadelphia, and which Secretary of the Commonwealth, shall yield to the city and county of Philadelphia current net revenue in excess of the interest on said debt or debts and of the annual installments Proposing an amendment to the Con- necessary for the cancellation of said stitution of Pennsylvania abolishing debt or debts, may be excluded in asoffice of Secretary of Internal certaining the power of the city and county of Philadelphia to become Be it resolved by the Senate and otherwise indebted; Provided, That House of Representatives of the such indebtedness incurred by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in city and county of Philadelphia shall General Assembly met, That article not at any time, in the aggregate, exfour of the Constitution of Pennsylva-nia shall be amended by adding there-dollars for the purpose of improving to section twenty-three, which shall and developing the port of the said city and county, by the condemnation,

tion or lease of wharves, docks, sheds, and warehouses, and other buildings and facilities, necessary for the establishment and maintenance of railroad and shipping terminals along the said rivers; and the dredging of the said rivers and docks: Provided, That the said city and county shall, at or be-fore the time of so doing, provide for the collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest thereon, and also the principal thereof within fifty years from the incurring thereof. A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 6.

ROBERT MCAFEE, Secretary of the Commonwealth

A GENERAL SURVEY OF THE WAR

The third week of the battle of the Aisne finds the forces of France and England and the allies in deadlock Reinforcements are being rushed up by both sides and it may be that speed will determine the winner of this, the world's greatest battle. The allies claim they can bring up more new

men than the Germans. The battle line extends for a dis tance of about 120 miles. General Vor. Kluck's army composes the right wing, General Von Buelow the center and the crown prince the left flank of the kaiser's force. The allies, it ap pears, htve been making strenuous of forts to turn Von Kluck's wing an force his army back on Von Buelow who would thus be at a disadvantage Such a turning movement would be fatal to the Germans, experts hold.

Paris and London reports claim that the German right wing has weakened and that the allies are gaining ground daily. These same reports say that the Germans are vigorously pounding at the center of the allies without suc cess, while the crown prince on the left is not giving much trouble.

Berlin advices report that the Teu ton line is withholding against every attack and that while Von Kluck is standing off the tremendous attacks at his end the center and left of the German army are battering down the enemy's resistance and are making appreciable gains.

It is admitted by all the war offices that the losses during the great battle are tremendous, in some places th trenches being piled high with dead The losses to the allies are said to b greater than the enemy for the reason that the French and English have been on the offensive.

The Russians are continuing their successful invasion of Galicia, every day reports of captures of new towns coming in. The great stronghold of the Austrians, Przemysl, is reported as fallen. Frzemysl was the last forti fied town of any consequence in Ga licia and now the czar's great armies can advance on Cracow, the old-capi tal of Poland. In east Prussia the Ger mans have oeen able to keep back the czar's soldiers. A new Russian army is reported on its way, however, which may combine with the army now released from Galicia for a march into

Zeppelin airships and German aero planes have been busy, flying over Paris. Warsaw and cities in Belgium In Paris a man was killed and his daughter was crippled. In Warsaw three of the czar's soldiers were slain and in Belgium an aged man was mor-

tally wounded by a bomb. Several important naval battles have taken place during the week. The greatest disaster that has befallen the English fleet since the war began oc curred when a German submarine boat, U-9, sank three English cruisers. with an estimated loss of life of 1,133 The ships were the Aboukir, Cressy and Hogue. Each was torpedoed by the submarine and sank within a few minutes. English survivors say that there 'were several submarines and that at least two were sunk by the Hogue before that vessel was sent to the bottom. The German admiralty announces, however, that only one submarine was engaged. The English also lost a cruiser when the Pegasus, which was in the harbor of Zanzibar, was put out of commission by the German ship Koenigsberg. It is reported Ger many suffered the loss of a cruise and two torpedo boats when a Russlar cruiser discovered the vessels laying mines in the Baltic sea. These encoun ters, it is believed, are only the begin ning of a series of great engagements between the contending countries.

H. K. Thaw Will Get \$142,124. Payment of \$142,124.28 to Harry K. Thaw was ordered in the orphans' court in Pittsburgh by Judges J. W. Over and Thomas P. Trimple. This is the accumulated income with interest from the coke trust created by the will of Thaw's father, William Thaw, in which all his coal lands were placed in the hands of three trus

Hinitt to Head W. & J. College. Dr. Frederick William Hinitt was elected president of Washington and Jefferson college in Washington, Pa., at the meeting of the board of trus-Ia., and had served eight years in the Lissa. Presbyterian ministry.

Oil Industry on Again. until further notice it will buy not only all current production but all accumulated balances. This means that the oil industry in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and southeastern Ohio is put back on practically the same basis it was before the European war.

HAND-TO-HAND FIGHTING ALONG BATTLE FRONT Russians Occupy Most of the

Allies and Germans Engage In Deadly Bayonet Charges

COMBAT RAGES WITH FURY

Night and Day For Three Days Teu Life Extremely Heavy-Battle Is of Unprecedented Fury.

Germans on the western end of the from Vienne, which says: long line of battle to break through campaign along the Aisne river in

After fighting without respite night and day corps after corps of Germans were hurled against the flower of the French and English armies, only to be thrown back.

The attack was made with such numbers that it is evident that orders had been received to endeavor to end the battle with a clearly decisive

The Germans are once more in their trenches after giving ground slightly between the Oise and Somme. They lost prisoners, flags and guns and the spirit of the troops is broken.

At their center near Rheims the Germans launched a determined blow at the allies, but were thrown back near the fort of Nogent L'Abbesse.

Farther eastward, toward the Argonne, they gained ground but were obliged to surrender it. Along the Meuse their position im-

proved, but they have not broken through the barrier of Verdun-Toul-Nancy. There have been no decisive engagements in Alsace-Lorraine. The government report contains

the assurance that the allies' flanking movement is vigorous in spite of in creased German resistance and that the severest fighting is now with the bayonet. Germans and allies have been strug-

gling back and forth over the same ground and the loss of life is frightful. The allies' center holds while the rig! strives to clinch victory. Adequate understanding of the battle of the Aisne, now in its fifteenth

day, is impossible. One is bankrupt of superlatives. Such endurance, valor and determination was never before seen on any field of battle. Combats of greater violence than

Austerlitz or Leipzig are mere incidents of this unprecedented struggle.

There is undoubtedly a large indewere unable to drive the enemy out.

Paris, was as follows: "It is confirmed that from the night | The secretary said: of Sept. 25 to 26 up to today the "If we had war we could rely upon enemy has not ceased night or day to a great intracostal waterway in which renew his attack, his manifest object we would have the advantage of sendbeing to try to break our lines. The ing the effective submarines up and attack was made with such an im down and letting them slip from the mense number of men that it is evi- numerous exits to catch the enemies' dent that orders had been received ships unawares wherever they might from the highest source to seek to end be attempting to bombard our coasts created federal trade commission in a the battle with a decisive victory.

in the course of the action we cap bring our resources to bear in the contured a standard and several guns and test, and if we can do that we would many prisoners. All our army com- be almost sure to win. If not we manders report the morale of our would probably lose the war," troops is excellent. The officers are even forced to restrain their men from dashing on the enemy sheltered in his organized defensive positions."

The German war authorities issued this statement at Berlin:

roads, made an attack on the German in an enveloping movement in order guns. to attack the German line."

ALLIES CAPTURE LISSA

Bombardment.

A dispatch from Rome says the Austrian seaport of Lissa in Dalmatia was bombarded by a French fleet Sept. tees. He will fill the vacancy caused 19. Later troops landed from the 32,000 Volunteers Started Away to Re by the resignation of Dr. James D. French warships and went into gar-Moffat, He has previously been at the rison. British and French flags were head of Parsons college in Fairfield, hoisted over the semaphore station at

Bowb Dropped Into Shipyard. A dispatch from Boulogne says: "A The Joseph Seep agency, a Standard German aeroplane flew over Boulogne Oil concern, notified producers that at a great height. The aviator threw a bomb into a shipbuilding yard. No one was injured."

> Mother Sees Child Decapitated. In sight of her mother May Sum mers, five years old, was decapitated the wires grarding the disposition of by a trolley car in Philadelphia.

AUSTRIANS ARE BOTTLED IN FORTS

Fortified City of Przemysl

GARRISON'S POSITION CRITICAL

Cossacks Are Only Fifty Miles From Cracow and Are Overrunning the Country In That Part of Galicia.

A dispatch from Petrograd says the tons Make Assault on Enemy's Russian general staff announced that Lines, Hoping to Break Through, the Russian advance toward Silesia against the Carranza government Gen-Both Sides Claim Gains-Loss of is proceeding irresistibly and that the eral Francisco Villa is mobilizing his Galicia campaign has been successful. session of the greater part of the city tion movement is going along rapidly. Desperate attempts made by the of Przemysl is stated in a dispatch All the garrison commanders of the

"The Russians approached the city to send their men to Chihuahua. the allies' forces, which are engaged from the southwest, forcing the Austaken place since the beginning of the centrated, and is preparing to make a agents. surrounded.

poured into the city of Przemysl to if Villa should attack him.

Petrograd.

carried by 150 trains on all four avail- jamin Gill at Santa Barbara, Sonora. able railroads. Other troops are being

great and tecisive battle soon to be declaring allegiance to Villa. fought along the whole western line.

"At least 800,000 German troops are now gathered in an effort to balance the Austrian failures. The armies are already in touch and the grand battle is bound to come soon. The Russians will have the advantage, however, because the fighting will be on ground chosen by the Russian leaders."

ing the operations in Russian Poland; satisfactory to the United States.

"The movement of German troops man troops under the command of ranza or Villa territory. General Von Hindenburg near Suwalki."

URGES MORE SUBMARINES

Secretary Daniels Sees Lesson In Eu ropean Naval Battles.

The need of intracoastal canals and pendent force of English and French, the wisdom of building more substriking at German communications marines and fewer dreadnoughts are with Belgium. A column from the the lessons the United States should allies' left wing attempted a stroke draw from the naval activities of the European war, according to Secretary The French communique, issued at Daniels, who was addressing the Atlantic deeper waterways convention.

or shell our great ships and bring "Not only has the attack failed, but them to terms. It would enable us to of Oklahoma. Action was delayed.

FLEET OF ZEPPELINS READY

Raid on English Navy to Be Made One of These Days.

The Chicago Daily News prints the "The enemy, by utilizing his rail following as a dispatch from Berlin: "It was ated by a high authority right flank, but was repulsed by an in- that practically all Zeppelins are ferior force of Germans. The French centered around the North sea, where forts south of Verdun have been they are to assist in an attack on the silenced by the artillery. The German British fleet. The outcome of such a forces before Bapaume engaged a battle will be important, for it will de-French division. Otherwise in the termine whether a dirigible can mean western theater of war conditions are ure up against a warship. If it can unchanged. The fighting around Ba the German fleet will not be greatly payme is between the French forces outnumbered in the conflict about to which have been trying to swing take place, for the British fleet is inaround the army of General Von Kluck sufficiently supplied with aeroplane

"We hear remarkable stories about the number of Zeppelins. At the outbreak of the war there were twentytwo on record. Today the report of City In Dalmatia Changes Hands After their number varies from fifty-six to

CANADIANS GO TO FRONT

lief of English Forces.

Minister of Labor Crothers of the dominion of Canada announced that States and Spain aiming at the co-32,600 Canadian volunteers "have gone to the front a day or two ago," Mr. Crothers made the announcement in a speech before the Canadian Trades and Labor congress in convention here. Mr. Crothers extolled the patra otic spirit of the Canadian volunteers.

The foregoing brief dispatch is the only announcement which the Caradian censor has permitted to go over the rolunteers for more than a week.

VILLA CALLS HIS ARMY TOGETHER

Every Man In Torreon Pressed Into New Revolt

QUICK MOVE ON CARRANZA

Constitutionalist Chief Promises President Wilson to Defend Only and Not Attack-Wires to Mexico City Cut.

Now that he has declared revolt army. Every man in Torreon has been That the Russians are now in pos- called into service and the concentrasmaller towns have been commanded

The old tederal contingent in Mexin a turning movement, have resulted trians to take shelter in the eastern ico will swing to Villa in the present in the most furious fighting that has forts, where the entire garrison is con- revolution, according to Carranza

final resistance. The situation of the Rumors at the border said Carranza garrison is critical, as it is entirely was rushing men north from Zacatecas and westward from Monterey "Russian troops are advancing from against Villa's men at Torreon, con-Grodek on the Austrian positions, trary to Carranga's assurances to the while the right wing continues to at. United States that he would not attack from the north. Troops are being tack Villa but would prepare to resist

press the attack from the southwest." First blood in the revolt against "Germany is reinforcing her army the Carranza government in Mexico in east Prussia at the rate of one army was shed in a battle between troops corps per day," says a dispatch from commanded by Jose Maria Maytorena, governor of Sonora, and the command "These reinforcements are being of Carranza troops under General Ben-

Maytorena's strength was estimated hurried from Berlin and Schneidemutt at about 3.000. Gill's troops are deto Baltic ports and thence by sea to clared to be somewhat superior numerically. Maytorena has issued a formal "All this is in preparation for the proclamation renouncing Carranza and

Carranza Won't Attack. General Carranza has informed the United States government he will not attack General Villa, but will order his forces to be on the defensive and resist attack.

The first chief's communication de clared the national convention would The Petrograd correspondent of the be held as scheduled on Oct. 1, when Daily Telegraph has forwarded the fol a provisional government would be lowing semi-official statement regard established which, he hoped, would be

The isolation of Mexico City from from east Prussia in the direction of communication and the cutting of all Warsaw has come to nothing. in the wires between the United States and government of Suwalki (Russian Po points in northern Mexico were reland) the Germans have suffered a ported to the government. As a result serious repulse. The left flank of the the administration is without news ... Russian army has defeated the Ger. to events in Mexico City either in Car-

The cutting of railroad and tele graph lines from Mexico City to Vera Cruz is attributed to General Villa. This formal statement was issued by

the war department: "Numerous inquirles were made here and of General Funston with respect to the date of the departure of the American troops from Vera Cruz. In view of the matter which must be first settled no date can at present be fixed, but in no event can the departure take place within the next ten days, and General Funston was so ad-

OIL PROBE ASKED

Senator Gore Wants Standard's Af-

fairs Looked Into Again, An investigation of the Standard Oil company was proposed as the first duty to be imposed upon the newly resolution introduced by Senator Gore

The resolution calls for a probe of relations between the various branches of the company, as dissolved by the supreme court, and of the methods employed by their respective refining and transportation agencies toward independent producers. Attention also is called to alleged efforts to control the price of crude oil on the part of these companies and the commission would be instructed to make a comparison of the capital and dividends of the company for three years prior to dissolution with those of independent concerns.

GERMANS BLAME FRENCH

Reasons Given For Firing on Cathe dral at Rheims.

The German headquarter staff in further explanation of the bombardment of the cathedral of Rheims says: "Since Sept. 20, when a white flag was hoisted in the steeple, the cathedral has been respected by our artillery. We soon discovered that the French had used the steeple as a point of observation which sufficiently explained the good shooting of the

French artillery. "It became necessary to remove the observation post which removal was

effected by shrapnel." Spain and U. S. May Eng War.

Negotiations between the United operation of these countries, and pessibly of Italy, in efforts that will be made to end the European war are reported to be under way.

Pennsylvania Has 6,000 Students. With an enrollment approximating 6,000 students the University of Penasylvania entered upon its 174th year.

Rene Gilbert Dies. Rene Gubert, the painter and pastellist, died in Paris,

tum of such assessed valuation, and has not since been reduced to less than such per centum, may be authorized by law to increase the same three OF THE SECRETARY OF THE Per centum in the aggregate, at any COMMONWEALTH, IN PURSUANCE one time upon such valuation. The one time, upon such valuation. The OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CON- city of Philadelphia, upon the conditions hereinafter set forth, may in-crease its indebtedness to the extent

per centum upon such assessed valuation for the specific purpose of proone, article eight of the Constituviding for all or any of the following, tion of Peansylvania. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Compurposes, -- to-wit: For the construction and improvement of subways, tunnels, railways, elevated railways, and other transit facilities; for the construction and improvement wharves and docks and for the reclamation of land to be used in the construction of wharves and docks, owned or to be owned by said city. Such increase, however, shall only be made

Section 1. Every male citizen twenty-one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be ject, however, to such laws requiring and regulating the registration of

First. He shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one onth.
"Second. He shall have resided in of which credit shall be ascertained the State one year (or, having pre-viously been a qualified elector or during the year immediately preceding native-born citizen of the State, he

mediately preceding the election.
"Fourth. If twenty-two years of age upwards, he shall have paid

one month before the election," be amended so that the same shall read

sembly may enact: First. He or she shall have been a citizen of the United States at least

or she shall offer to vote at least two months immediately preceding the

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

eight of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania. Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives

Amend section eight, article nine of

provided by law; but any city, the debt of which on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, exceeded seven per cen-